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In re Application of :
Jack Gauldie et al :
Application No. 09/742,892 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: December 21, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. GDI-2 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 8, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

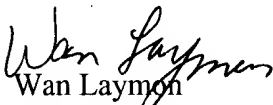
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The two-month period for filing an appeal brief in triplicate (accompanied by the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c)), runs from the date of this decision.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed June 27, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A reply under 37 CFR 1.113 is limited to an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance or a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b)). Since the amendment submitted does not *prima facie* placing the application in condition for allowance, no Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee), or a continuing application was timely filed. No extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on September 28, 2003.

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The application file is being referred to Technology Center AU 1635.


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